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Application Number	10/673,922
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Art Unit	1756
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

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Art Unit 1756

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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/673,922; Filed: September 30, 2003  
For: **Methods and Systems to Compensate for a Stitching Disturbance of a Printed Pattern in a Maskless Lithography System Not Utilizing Overlap of the Exposure Zones**  
Inventors: BLEEKER *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1857.1760000

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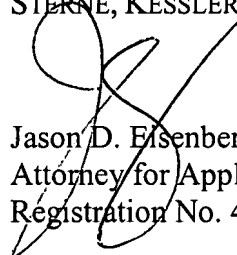
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